

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 543

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to modernize palliative and
- 2 hospice care by (1) requiring physicians to be properly trained in end-
- 3 of-life, palliative and hospice care, (2) permitting nurses, under the
- 4 supervision of a physician, to intravenously administer medications at
- 5 home including infusions and pushes, (3) permitting registered nurses,
- 6 under the supervision of a physician, to disimpact patients, (4) requiring
- 7 insurance to reimburse hospice care at a daily rate similar to hospice
- 8 general inpatient care, and (5) allowing patients who have been on
- 9 hospice care, who then terminated such service, to go back into hospice
- 10 care.

Statement of Purpose:

To improve palliative and hospice care at home for end-of-life patients.

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